

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks.

By the foregoing amendment, Claims 1-10, 17, 19 and 21 have been cancelled and Claims 11, 13, 18, and 20 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Thus, claims 11-16, 18, and 20 are currently pending in the application and subject to examination.

In the Office Action dated May 14, 2008, Claims 11-16, 18, and 20 were objected to but would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the objections set forth in this Office Action and to include all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. In response, Claims 11, 13, 18, and 20 have been amended to be independent claims including limitations of their base claims and any intervening claims. Accordingly, Claims 11, 13, 18, and 20 are now in condition for allowance. Claims 12 and 14-16 that depend from Claims 11 and 13, respectively, are also in condition for allowance.

Further in this Amendment, Claims 1-10, 17, 19, and 21 have been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer. Thus, the rejection and/or objection of these claims are now moot.

Based on the above, the present application is now in condition for allowance.


Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that anything further is desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone

number listed below to schedule a personal or telephone interview to discuss any remaining issues.

In the event that this paper is not being timely filed, the Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account Number 01-2300, referencing Docket Number 108390-00061.

Respectfully submitted,



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